

2004-2005

On November 7, 1955, some 100 delegates from 38 ports in 14 countries gathered in Los Angeles to announce the creation of the International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH). It was the first international gathering of players in the ports industry, and the organization vowed to foster friendly communication and dialogue among the world's ports, though they may be separated from each other geographically, culturally and linguistically. The IAPH would work to enable member ports to share their experiences and expertise to make them all more efficient and compatible with evolving needs.

The founding fathers of the IAPH believed that maritime transportation has always been important in the history of mankind and could help create a more peaceful world. The IAPH's motto "World Peace through World Trade – World Trade through World Ports" reflects that underlying spirit.

The past five decades have seen the IAPH grow steadily into a global alliance of ports, representing some 230 ports in 90 countries. The member ports handle over 60% of the world's sea-borne trade in terms of tonnage of cargos they handle and more significantly, some 80% of the world's container traffic.

As of July 31, 2005, the IAPH comprises 351 members representing 87 maritime countries and economies of the world. Out of total membership, there are 219 Regular Members and 138 Associate Members. 137 members are located in the Africa/Europe Region, 51 members are in the Americas Region and 163 members are in the Asia/Oceania Region.

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IAPH members influence world trade and the global economy. All of the leaders who have preceded me have helped create an organization that can be of great service to every member.

Strengthening IAPH will require greater involvement by all of its members. This organization is only as good as what members put into it. Each of us must devote more of our time and expertise to IAPH to broaden the membership and improve services to the global maritime industry.

The task of broadening the membership will be much easier if we have more to offer members. I want to reach beyond the port community to strengthen and develop alliances with non-governmental organizations and other associations that are mutually beneficial and make IAPH more useful to all of us.

As president of IAPH, I look forward to hosting the 2007 IAPH conference in Houston. I truly expect this will be a highly engaging and productive gathering for discussions and decisions affecting progressive change for ports and the global maritime shipping industry as well as exhibitions and hands-on demonstrations of the latest advanced technologies.

More than 1,000 IAPH delegates are expected to attend the conference, which will be conducted at the Hilton Americas Hotel. The highlight of the conference will be a technical tour of the Port of Houston Authority's Bayport Container and Cruise Terminal. Activities will include a ribbon cutting ceremony for the cruise terminal, which is scheduled to open during the conference. There will also be a capsule burial ceremony for the Bayport Container Terminal, following the tradition set during the 1977 IAPH Houston conference for the PHA Barbours Cut Container Terminal.

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Secretary General's Review

In 2005, IAPH has marked the 50th anniversary of its creation. I am pleased to release in the midst of our celebration the 1st issue of our Annual Report of the Association. It is aimed to provide concise yet comprehensive overview of the IAPH activity over the period from mid-2004 to mid-2005. Through this new publication, I hope we could reach out to not only our members of IAPH but also those beyond the port community to work together even more closely for furtherance of the world's trade and economy.

For 2004/2005, the world's port community has exerted immense efforts for port security with the ISPS Code entering into force on July 1st 2004. IAPH made intensive coordination among members as well as with the IMO to facilitate smooth implementation of the Code. IAPH also actively participated in consideration at the IMO on such critical issues as places of refuge, ballast water management and containers carrying dangerous goods. At the 24th IAPH World Ports Conference held in Shanghai May this year, a wider range of pressing issues were extensively discussed among port directors and experts gathering from around the globe.

In Tokyo early January 2005, IAPH kicked off a series of year-round celebration events for its golden jubilee across the world. We take this unique opportunity to call for continued active collaboration among the world's ports and also with our friendly organizations, and furthermore to make the general public aware of the important role ports play to their life and economy. As part of our program to this end, we produced a special CD "IAPH-Uniting the World's Ports" and a commemorative booklet entitled "Ports in Your Life".

Holding high a torch of its motto "World Peace through World Trade, World Trade through World Ports", IAPH has now sailed out into the new challenging sea of the next half a century.

Satoshi Inoue Secretary General

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Port Security – ISPS Code Implementation

The new global security system for the maritime industry was initiated by the ISPS Code coming into effect on July 1, 2004. Owing to the tireless efforts and coordination among all security-related parties, we witnessed a smooth start without serious delay or disruption in port operations.

By the end of July 2004, 200 member ports in 44 countries were in full compliance. Ten member ports in seven countries with all PFSPs submitted, pending approval. A total of 1,901 PFSPs were approved or submitted in relation to the above ports.

Online surveys on Port Readiness and Port Security Bulletin: Since the 23rd World Ports Conference in 2003 in Durban, South Africa, five online surveys were conduced on ISPS Code implementation. In tandem with the online surveys, "IAPH Port Security Bulletin" was distributed for timely dissemination of the latest information among the members. A list of ISPS Code-compliant ports was compiled and updated for dissemination not only to the membership but also for submission to the IMO.

IAPH Question & Answer Board on the Web: IAPH Members were able to share and exchange practices, information and views on the implementation of the ISPS Code at the IAPH Members' site.

IMO/ILO Code of Practice on Security in Ports: In a similar way, the IAPH has taken an active and extensive role in formulating the IMO/ILO Code of Practice on Security in Ports. The Association has participated in the ILO workshop for promoting the use of the Code in October of 2004 (Turin, Italy) by sending a member of our European Office staff as lecturer and also three personnel selected from among developing member ports.

Tsunami Disaster in South Asia

At the Executive Committee meeting in Yokohama, January 11 - 13, 2005, a resolution was unanimously adopted on action to strengthen preparedness of ports for earthquake and tsunami disasters in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean Tsunami Disaster of December 26, 2004.

The IAPH would make every effort to implement as soon as possible measures and actions such as:

- Improving awareness among the member ports about the importance of the preparedness for earthquake and tsunami disasters;
- Sharing and/or transferring experience and know-how among member ports by holding seminars and workshops in collaboration with UN agencies and other international organizations; and
- Working together with such international organizations to develop guidelines on effective preparedness for earthquake and tsunami disasters and mitigating their effects.

An IAPH representative presented this resolution at the IMO Sub-Committee on Radiocommunications and Search and Rescue, and it was recognized and reported to IMO Maritime Safety Committee.



Places of Refuge

"Places of refuge" is one aspect of contingency planning in which both the rights and interests of coastal states as well as the need to render assistance to damaged, disabled or otherwise distressed vessels must be taken into account.

In November 2003, the IMO Assembly adopted two resolutions addressing the issue of places of refuge for ships in distress - an important step in assisting decision-making for those involved in incidents that may lead to the need for a place of refuge.

The IAPH focus was on influencing Committee Maritime International (International Maritime Committee) (CMI) and IMO international arenas. IAPH visited CMI's conference in Vancouver in May 2004. CMI attributed a whole day during this conference to the topic of Places of Refuge. The IAPH was able to take a position on all issues brought up for discussion. The IAPH Legal Protection Committee subsequently published IAPH standpoints to advocate a new convention stressing that , despite the broader coverage established once the HNS Convention, Bunker Convention and Wreck Removal Convention enter into force, gaps still remain in the areas of liability and compensation.

The outcome is clear: CMI published a report for the IMO in which IAPH stances could be recognized: it requested attention to problems identified by the IAPH; the CMI's report also pleaded for solutions to problems raised by the IAPH. After CMI's finalization of its report the subject was ready to be picked up again by the IMO's Legal Committee. The IAPH made a final submission on Places of Refuge for use in discussion in IMO's Legal Committee in April 2005

The Ballast Water Management

The problem of harmful aquatic organisms in ballast water was first raised at IMO in 1988 and since then the IMO's Maritime Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) — together with Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) and technical sub-committees — has been dealing with the issue. In order to help developing countries understand the problem and monitor the situation, the IMO is implementing the GEF/UNDP/IMO Global Ballast Water Management Program (GloBallast) and has provided technical support and expertise.

The problem of invasive species is largely due to expand trade and traffic volume over the last few decades. The effects in many areas of the world have been devastating. Quantitative data show that bio-invasions are continuing to increase at an alarming rate, in many cases exponentially, and new areas are being invaded all the time. Volumes of seaborne trade continue overall to increase and the problem may not yet have reached its peak.

This IMO convention was adopted in February 2004 and will enter into force 12 months after ratification by 30 states representing at least 30% of world merchant shipping tonnage. The Convention will require all ships to implement a Ballast Water and Sediments Management Plan. All ships will have to carry a Ballast Water Record Book and will be required to carry out ballast water management procedures to a given standard. Existing ships will be required to do the same, but after a phase-in period.

IAPH has been involved in IMO discussions only to avoid the possibility that the convention might require ports to provide reception facilities for suspect ballast water, a suggestion that was frequently proposed during the discussion phase. The IAPH has successfully argued that this is not an option in view of the massive infrastructure and prohibitive adhering costs required.

Inspections of Containers Carrying Dangerous Goods

Inspections of containers carrying dangerous goods have shown that in up to nearly 50% of the cases examined, the shipments were not in compliance with the IMDG Code (mandatory as of January 1, 2004). One of the worrying aspects of the issue is the very low level of reporting of results of inspection programs by IMO member states.

Apart from that, non compliance may lead to dangerous situations both ashore as well as on board. During a study period of 5 years, at least one total loss of a container vessel can be attributed to a non-compliant container on board.

In order to improve this situation both ICHCA and IAPH have been involved in a number of IMO activities. The latest is a jointly developed circular among IMO member states inviting them to step up their inspection programs and to submit the results to IMO.

Port Reception Facilities for Ship's Wastes

The alleged inadequacy of port reception facilities has frequently been discussed in meetings of IMO's Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC). One of the main concerns was the low level of reporting of alleged inadequacy of port reception facilities. This resulted in the circulation among member states and NGOs of a circular that encouraged all of the parties to identify impediments in the system and to indicate appropriate improvements.

The IAPH responded, paying particular attention to the amount of information that masters have to provide on something that did not happen (i.e. delivery of waste to a shore facility). In other words they are not inclined to waste effort informing authorities, especially since their experience seems to be that nothing will happen anyway. They also seem to think that flag states cannot put much pressure on port states, let alone port authorities and shore reception facilities.

Representative industry organizations including the IAPH established the Port Reception Facilities Forum. The principle aim of the Forum is to use the practical experience and expertise of participating organization to evaluate the situation and to develop workable solutions to perceived problems. In that context, and as a result of the discussions in the Forum, the IAPH has circulated an IMO document among its member ports that includes instruction for self-assessment by ports regarding the adequacy of their reception facilities.

In co-operation with the reception facilities industry, IAPH is also working on standardized forms for communication between ships and port reception facilities. The results of these exercises, once approved in the Forum, will be offered to the IMO for endorsement.

The 24th World Ports Conference in Shanghai

The 24th IAPH World Ports Conference was held in Shanghai, China from May 21 through 27, 2005, with some 670 participants from 56 countries around the globe. This was the first World Ports Conference the IAPH has held in China.

At the Opening Session on May 23, the Chinese Minister of Communications and the Mayor of Shanghai City gave warm welcomes to IAPH delegates with some 1000 guests including VIPs from Chinese political and business circles.



Apart from IAPH Board Meetings and Technical Committee

Meetings, there were two plenary sessions and six working sessions, the latter featuring 36 papers from speakers at the top of their professions. In his keynote speech for IAPH 50th Anniversary Celebration Session on May 23, Mr. Tommy Thomsen, CEO of Container Business, A.P. Moller-Maersk Group, told "You must expand or you will be the bottleneck.", a fitting start given the conference theme of "Opportunities and Challenges Facing the World Ports". He stressed "Ports are barely managing to handle today's demand – they won't be able to handle tomorrow's growth unless something is done now."

In the working sessions topical issues were discussed under the following themes; "Impacts of Economic Globalization on the Development of Port & Shipping Industry", "Port Development Strategy", "Port Security", "Diversified Port Investment", "Environment and Dredging Projects" and "Environment and Dredging Project".

On of the highlights in the Conference was the technical visit to Shanghai's new Yangshan Deepwater Port, a spot in which most of the world's top port operators would like to invest. The final link in the 32.5km Donghai Bridge, connecting the mainland to the Yanshan Deepwater Port in Hangzhou Bay, was completed just in time for IAPH delegates to drive across it. The official opening ceremony took place during the morning of May 25, just hours before the visit. IAPH delegates became among the first to cross the new Donghai Bridge.





IAPH Legal Database

Based on its survey conducted in 2001 to determine the legal needs of IAPH member ports, the IAPH Legal Protection Committee has been working to build an IAPH Legal Database. The database covers some 60 international maritime conventions impacting ports and harbors and was finally launched on the IAPH website – only accessible to IAPH members – in April 2005. Written in a plain language, it is designed to offer a concise guide to and comprehensive reference for the said conventions sorted by theme and depository organization, and is exclusively for members' convenience.

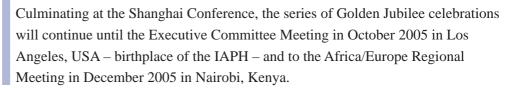
IAPH Golden Jubilee Projects

With the guidance of the 50th Anniversary Committee chaired by Mr. D. Taddeo (Port of Montreal, Canada), the IAPH successfully kicked off the celebration on January 14, 2005. Held at the IAPH 50th Anniversary Tokyo Forum, the event was attended by some four hundred participants including IAPH Executive Committee

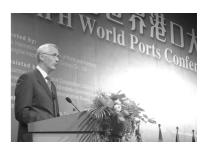


delegates, Japanese Minister of Land Infrastructure and Transport and major figures from the Japanese port and maritime community.

Following the Tokyo Forum were celebrations at the Asia/Oceania Regional Meeting in February 2005 (Tehran, Iran) and the Africa/Europe Regional Meeting in March 2005 (London, UK). At the meetings we were honored by the presence of Iranian Minister of Roads & Transportation, and His Royal Highness The Duke of York, respectively.







Donation to the "Save the Children": In May of 2004 at the 3rd Mid-Term Board Meeting (Charleston, U.S.A.) President Struijs suggested funding for a contribution scheme to assist children's education in developing countries through UNICEF or other appropriate NGO. The Board unanimously agreed. The donation will be made every conference year for at least 10 years (i.e. for 5 conferences until the 2013 Conference).

US\$25,000 raised at the Shanghai Conf will be used during 2005 for an education program for children in Afghanistan likewise. Each future Conference will feature a report for IAPH members about the project/program which received a donation during the last period, and a new project/program will be recommended by the Secretariat for endorsement.

*Established in 1919 in London "Save the Children" is the world's largest independent global movement for children. There are separate "Save the Children" organizations in 26 countries working together to improve children's lives in over 111 countries. ("Save the Children": http://www.savethechildren.net/alliance/index.html)

Commemorative Goods: Several commemorative goods were produced, including a CD-ROM, "Uniting the World's Ports", a brief history of IAPH, a booklet entitled "Ports in Your Life" and a special plaque.



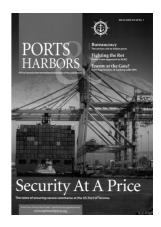


Renewal of "Ports and Harbors"

"Ports & Harbors," the official journal of the IAPH, has currently released its 50th edition reflecting the age of the Association itself. For nearly half a century, our journal has been the main medium for IAPH members as well as the world maritime community to disseminate and exchange views and information on wideranging critical issues.

In March 2005, under a contract with Lloyd's Register-Fairplay, the journal was relaunched with enhanced contents in a new and powerful format and design, accompanied by a wider coverage of the latest news and information on a range of world shipping and maritime issues, not to mention the global port business.

Circulated among IAPH members, UN agencies, friendly organizations, and also subscribers of "Ports & Harbors", is now published bi-monthly in full color.



Regional Activities

The IAPH meets in a full session once every two years in different cities around the world to discuss issues of immediate and long-term interest and concern. At the conferences, port personnel can also acquaint themselves with state-of-the-art port and maritime technology showcased at the trade exhibition. In 2005 the 24th World Ports Conference was held in Shanghai. (See page 7.)

The IAPH is constantly active not only in the global sense but also in regional circles. Vice Presidents of the IAPH are elected from three regions; Africa/Europe, the Americas and Asia/Oceania. These officials represent their regions and organize their regional meetings, seminars and workshops to better address regional issues respectively.

Regional Meetings 2004 – 2005

Africa/Europe

December 13 – 15, 2004, Alexandria, Egypt Joint meeting with Pan-African Ports Conference



March 9 – 11, 2005, London, U.K.



Asia/Oceania

January 31 – February 4, 2005, Tehran, I.R. Iran



Executive Committee Meetings 2004 – 2005

January 10 – 13, 2005, Yokohama, Japan



Award and Bursary Scheme

Over the past years, the IAPH has provided assistance to developing ports' training and education efforts and encouraged research into port efficiency and productivity under the Association's Award and Bursary Schemes.

IAPH Special Award Scheme (Essay Contest)

The contest traces its roots back to 1979, but since 1983, the winner has received the Akiyama Prize, named after one of IAPH founding fathers, the late Toru Akiyama, who also served as Secretary General between 1967 and 1973.

The contest was set up to encourage research in developing countries. However, in 2004/2005 it was opened to all nations to celebrate unity during the IAPH's 50th Anniversary. The contest attracted a recordbreaking 70 entries from 32 IAPH members in 22 countries.

Theme: Action for A Quality Port

- First Prize - Akiyama Prize Mr. Nutkunasingam Veerasingam, Penang Port Sdn Bhd, Malaysia "PPSB: How structural and information systems re-organization can be beneficial"



Mr. Adrian Syahminur, Indonesia Port Corporation III, Indonesia "Creating a synergy between Semarang and Banjarmasin Container Terminals in export/import container trade"

- Third Prize

Mr. Femi Jegede, Nigerian Ports Authority, Nigeria "Port Security"

Mr. Deepankar Sinha, Kolkata Port Trust, India "Productivity – Effectiveness – Pricing Approach"

Akiyama Prize winner was awarded a silver medal, US\$3,000, and an all-expenses-paid trip to the 24th IAPH World Ports Conference in Shanghai.

IT Award

Established in 1993, the 7th biennial essay contest for IAPH member ports to compete for excellence in IT application in ports was conducted in 2004, and winners were given plaques at the first plenary session of the 24th IAPH World Ports Conference in Shanghai.

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- Karachi Port Trust, Pakistan "KPT Computerization Project"
- Silver Plaque Penang Port Commission, Malaysia - "Penang Port Makes its Online Data Available via Mobile Phone"



- Bronze Plaque Port Authority of Trinidad & Tobago - "A Booking Information and Ticketing Systems (BITS) for an Inter-Island Ferry Service"

Bursary Scheme

Initiated in 1976, the IAPH Bursary Scheme has enabled more than 100 individuals from IAPH member ports in developing countries to attend advanced port training programs overseas at IAPH affiliated training institutes.

In 2004/2005 eight bursaries were awarded for staff from Cote d'Ivoire, India, Malaysia and other countries to attend the following seminars.

- International Program for Port Planning & Management, May 17-28, 2004, New Orleans, U.S.A.
- Port Finance Seminar, IPER June 7 – 18, 2004, Le Havre, France
- Implementation of the ILO/IMO Code of Practice on Security in Ports

October 14 - 16, 2004, Turin, Italy



IAPH as a membership organization addresses and tackles various issues of interest and concern to the entire membership through committees.

All household matters are dealt with by the following four Internal Committees.

- Constitution and By-Laws
- Finance
- Long Range Planning/Review
- Membership Committee

The Technical Committees are the backbone of the IAPH activity to address, analyze and monitor issues of interest and concern for member ports. Various reports and guidelines are produced by Technical Committees, which have been regarded as valuable reference by all members and non-members as well, including international organizations and UN agencies.

As of 2004 end, ten Technical Committees are running as grouped under three overall subject areas of "Sustainment & Growth", "Technical Affairs", and "Port Industry Research & Analysis" each group chaired by: the .

Sustainment and Growth Group covers:

- Communication and Networking Committee
- Human Resources Development Committee

Technical Affairs Group covers:

- Port Safety, Environment and Marine Operations Committee
- Dredging Task Force
- Legal Protection Committee
- Trade Facilitation



Port Indsutry Research & Analysis Group covers:

- Cargo Operations Committee
- Ship Trends Committee
- Combined Transport & Distribution Committee
- Port Planning & Construction Committee

Restructuring plan of Technical Committees was approved at the Board Meeting in Shanghai in May 2005, and new formation will start Autumn 2005.

INTERNAL COMMITTEES

Finance Committee Garth Cowie Chief Executive Port of Napier Limited, New Zealand



- The committee aims to monitor the financial status of the Association on a regular basis, to ensure the smooth and undisrupted operation of the activities of the Secretary General and further ensure the long-range prospects for financial self-sufficiency of the Association.
- To examine, as stipulated in the By-Laws, the financial reports and conduct examinations as appropriate.
- To take appropriate action or make recommendations to the Association as appropriate.

Constitution and By-Laws Jean Mongeau Vice-President Legal Affairs and Secretary, Montreal Port Authority, Canada



- The committee aims to examine and check the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws to ensure that a democratic spirit is reflected in all its aspects.
- To advise and make recommendations relevant to any query related to the constitutionality of the conducts of the IAPH.

Long Range Planning and **Review Committee**

Bernard S. Groseclose, Jr. President & CEO South Carolina State Ports Authority, U.S.A.



- The committee aims to monitor the existing IAPH framework in relation to ongoing business trends within the transport sector, the activities of other international maritime-related industries, and advise the Executive Committee as appropriate.
- To monitor the areas of interest of member ports and instruct the Head Office to stay abreast of changes taking place in the transport sector.
- To coordinate with other committees, in particular with those related to "Sustainability & Growth," to ensure that findings are incorporated and implemented as appropriate.

Membership Committee Naomi Kogon-Steinberg Partner Steinberg & Associates, U.S.A.



- The Committee, cognizant of the fact that the solidarity of membership is the core of the Association's activiies, will look at how to attract the non-member ports and related organizations to IAPH.
- This includes developing programs to foster greater interaction & dialogues amongst the port and to make IAPH more meaningful and understood by the members. Ex-officio members.

SUSTAINMENT & GROWTH GROUP

Communication and Networking Committee José Perrot Manager Commercial Operations Department, Port Autonome du Havre, France



- The committee aims to propose the effective solutions to promote the Association throughout the world and to enhance the exchange of information among the members of the Association.
- The committee has constantly examined and made suggestions to improve the Association's communication tools - the journal "Ports & Harbors", Online Newsletter and the IAPH website.
- The committee assisted the Secretariat in renewing and relaunching "Ports & Harbors", which was relaunched on a bi-monthly basis, in March 2005.

Human Resources Development Committee Eddy Bruyninckx Chief Executive Officer Antwerp Port Authority, Belgium



- The committee aims to propose, develop and administer programmes for the provision of training, education, and technical assistance to developing ports.
- The committee conducted in 2004/2005 the "Special Essay Contest Commemorating the IAPH's 50th Anniversary" on the theme of "Action for A Quality Port", attracting a record-breaking number of 70 entries from 32 IAPH members in 22 countries.
- A new monograph No. 18 "Container Terminal Development and Management: The Sri Lanka Experience (1980-2002)" was produced in 2004 under the IAPH/UNCTAD Monograph Scheme.

TECHNICAL AFFAIRS GROUP

Port Safety, Environment & Marine **Operations Committee**

Fer M.J. van de Laar Senior Liaison Officer IAPH Europe Office



- The committee aims to monitor relevant developments and their impacts on ports concerning issues under consideration of UN agencies and international organizations.
- The major issues the committee has currently been working on are ISPS Code, ship emission control, ship recycling, ballast water management, containers containing dangerous goods, shipments of Cobalt 60, shore supplied energy.
- For successful implementation of the ISPS Code, the committee conducted thorough study and research, before and after the Code went into force on July 1, 2004, as well as conducting a series of online surveys on the readiness of IAPH member ports.

Dredging Task Force Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D. Managing Director of Development Port of Long Beach, U.S.A.



- The committee aims to monitor and examine developments and their impacts on ports in relation to the London Convention of 1972.
- It has closely monitored two issues: wastes from normal vessel operations and disposal at sea of spoilt cargoes.
- The committee actively collaborated with other international organizations such as PIANC and AAPA in producing joint publications on topics of common interest.

Legal Protection Committee Frans J.W. van Zoelen General Manager Legal Department

Port of Rotterdam, The Netherlands



- The committee aims to initiate, follow-up, study and recommend proposed action to be taken on behalf of IAPH concerning any issues in which the collective interests of port authorities are brought into question from the legal point of view.
- "Places of Refuge" is one of the major subjects the committee has currently worked on. The committee represented IAPH effectively at Comite Maritime International (CMI) Conference in Vancouver, May 2004 by presenting its position on the subject. IAPH subsequently submitted its position paper to IMO in April 2005.
- The committee developed Legal Database on international conventions relevant to the port industry. It provides a concise summary of and reference for, written in plain language, some 60 conventions impacting ports in the world.

Trade Facilitation Committee Santiago Garcia-Milà Deputy Managing Director Deputy Management of Strategy and Marketing Autoritat Portuària de Barcelona, Spain



- The committee aims to study and promete the simplification and harmonization of the documentation and also information flows required to facilitate the movement of cargo and ships through ports.
- The committee was also involved in works at the UNCEFACT (United Nations Center for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business), and the committee represented IAPH at the World Customs Organisation (WCO) Information Technology Sub-Committee (IMSC) meetings.
- The committee conducted in 2004 the IAPH Information Technology (IT) Award, a biennial contest to compete for excellence in IT applications at ports. The award presentation took place at the 24th IAPH World Ports Conference, Shanghai, China May 2005.

PORT INDUSTRY RESEARCH & ANALYSIS GROUP

Cargo Operations Committee Yoseph Bassan

Deputy Port Manager Ashdod Port, Israel Ports Authority, Israel



The committee aims to examine and review cargo handling concepts, procedures, equipment, systems, technology for efficient and safe handling of containers, bulk, general cargo, ro/ro, intermodal, and for proper planning/design of facilities.

Accordingly, the committee plans to address such issues, in the current term, as port security's impact on operations, technology applications to operational processes, environmental issues and port operations, and training for operations.

Ship Trends Committee Dato Capt. Haji Abdul RAHIM Abd. Aziz

General Manager Penang Port Commission, Malaysia



The committee aims to analyze the maritime economy, focusing on trends in both the word fleet and ship characteristics and their impact on port facilities.

The committee produced a comprehensive and analytical report detailing the latest trends, including container trade and fleet, transshipment, and world top carriers.

Combined Transport, Distribution and Logistics Committee

José Luis Estrada Port Planning & Development Director Puertos del Estado, Spain



The committee aims to investigate present and future port activity as well as the port involvement in the combined transport sector, focusing on the role of ports as an interface in the transport network and as a node in the overall logistics chain.

The committee has been collecting and reviewing logistics- and intermodality-related projects taking place at such ports as Riga, Rotterdam, Barcelona, Santander, Nehru, Newcastle and Klang, while its report is due late 2005.

Port Planning and Construction Committee

Susumu Naruse Vice Director General Tohoku Regional Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport, Japan



The committee aims to monitor, collect, analyze and disseminate information pertaining to planning, design, construction and maintenance of port facilities.

The committee has been carrying out case studies on cruise terminals at various ports to prepare the guidelines for cruise terminal planning.

The committee has set up a series of presentation sessions at each committee meeting, including, when practicable, the field study in the areas, covering the Ports of Sydney, Klang, Yokohama, Le Havre, Hakata, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, and Houston.

IAPH General Accounts (January 1 – December 31, 2004)

(Unit: Japanese Yen)

Revenues in this Te	rm			134,195,595
Membership Dues			125,591,929	
	Regular Members	114,767,364		
	Associate Members	10,824,565		
	Temporary Members	0		
Other Incomes			8,603,666	
	Interest Received	1,954,762		
	Advertisement	5,860,246		
	Sales of Publications	481,198		
	Miscellaneous	307,460		
Expenses in this Te	rm			125,804,990
Personnel Expenses			60,645,961	
	a. Wages & Allowances	46,011,864		
	b. Retirement Allowance Fund Reserve	4,820,000		
	c. Social Security and Insurance	6,694,385		
	d. Commuting Remuneration	1,350,490		
	e. Professional Services	1,769,222		
Non-personnel Expens	ses		65,159,029	
	Office Expenses	11,416,670		
	Correspondence & Communications	1,600,271		
	Publications	17,706,709		
	Information Services	877,481		
	Overseas Travel Expenses	4,495,080		
	Social Expenses	390,180		
	Conference Expenses	3,535,173		
	Miscellaneous	316,826		
	Reserve	0		
	Liaison Work/Rep. Initiative	17,118,995		
	Technical Com. Financial Support	653,385		
	Strategic Action Projects	1,048,259		
	Transfer to 50th Anniversary Fund	6,000,000		
Balance for this Ter	m			8,390,605

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